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Mr. Wendell Owen
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Dear Mr. Owen:

Re: Review of Revised Underground Drilling Program (Fax dated August 28, 1991),
Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025, Folder #2, Emery
County, Utah

The Division reviewed the letter and revised underground drilling program for the Bear Canyon Mine. There have been hand-written additions to the revised program which are not acceptable. The first paragraph, fourth sentence added the words "up to". This sentence should be revised to read as follows: "Second, if water is encountered, additional holes will be drilled to adequately characterize the groundwater conditions below the mine."

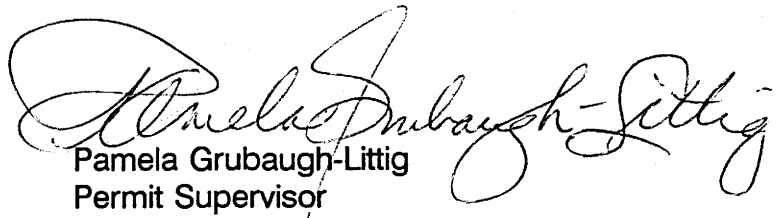
The revised underground drilling program on page six, paragraph two states that - "In the event that drilling problems are encountered, Co-Op will contact the Division to discuss the problems encountered and to determine an alternative course of action." It should be understood that this sentence refers to problems with actual drilling and does not refer to utilizing the drill for coal-mining related activities.

The letter should be revised to state the starting date of the underground drilling. There are agreements in the letter that have not been incorporated into the text of the underground drilling program. Therefore, when the approved underground drilling program is added to the text of the mining and reclamation plan as an appendix, it will be necessary to include the letter as well.

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The timeliness of the completion of this underground drilling program is critical.
We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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